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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED MARCH 10, 2003**

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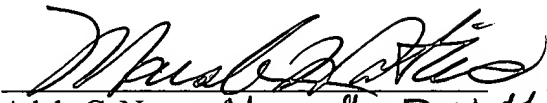
Sir:

With respect to the claims, Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Restriction Requirement dated March 10, 2003. Applicants elect without traverse to prosecute the claims of Group II; namely Claims 21-42. Applicants hereby cancel the claims in Groups I, III and IV; namely Claims 1-20, 43-56. It should be noted, however, that Applicants reserve the right to file continuing applications to prosecute the claims of Groups I, III and IV. Any fees or time extensions required for this response may be charged to Deposit Account No. 03-2769 of Conley Rose, P.C.

With respect to the drawings, Applicants note that the Examiner objected to the drawings. Specifically, Figs. 1-2B, 4 and 5 were objected to under 37 CFR 1.84(i) and Figs. 1-10 under 37 CFR 1.84 (p). Applicants assert that the formal drawings mailed to the USPTO on August 23, 2001 were prepared by a qualified draftsman and it is therefore respectfully submitted that these drawings fully comply with the relevant rules regarding drawings. Copies of the Formal Drawings have been included with this letter for the Examiner's reference.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments, he is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (713) 238-8000.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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